

U. S. TROOPS OUTNUMBERED

Sixty-Five Americans in
Fight With Two Hun-
dred Mexicans.

LURED INTO PITFALL

Invading Troops Raked By Machine
Gun—Irrresponsible Soldier Pre-
cipitates Battle.

Mexico City, June 23.—Though armed
conflict with the United States is
now regarded as not improbable, the
Mexican people still hope for a settle-
ment of the controversy by diplo-
matic negotiations.

Yesterday was observed as a holi-
day in the capital, being the religious
festival of Corpus Christi.

Washington, June 23.—Following
a fifteen minute conference with
President Wilson today at the White
House, Secretary of War Baker said
no change in policy regarding Mexi-
co is contemplated.

The Administration, he said, "is
still awaiting information on the Car-
rizal incident."

Official statement was made that
at no time has the President discus-
ed with any department officials the
subject of calling for volunteers.

This Government unquestionably
will make demands upon Carranza for
release of American prisoners taken
in the Carrizal battle, as soon as it
is definitely established how many
were captured, it was officially stated
today.

Columbus, N. M., June 23.—Un-
official reports from the field indi-
cate that the American force engaged
at Carrizal was Troop H, of the
Tenth Cavalry, under Capt. Charles
T. Boyd, 65 strong. The same report
gave the Mexican strength at 200.

Chihuahua City, Mex., June 23.—
The 17 American soldiers, negro
troopers of the Tenth Cavalry, who
were captured in the battle at Car-
rizal were brought here with Lem
H. Spillsbury, a Mormon scout, em-
ployed by Gen. J. J. Pershing, and
were interned. Spillsbury said that
Capt. Charles T. Boyd commanded
the Americans, and with Lieut. Henry
R. Adair, was among the killed.

A Captain Moore, who was with the
American detachment was wounded
in the shoulder, but escaped.

In announcing a story of the battle
which he said Spillsbury told him,
Gen. Jacinto Trevino, commander
of the military district of the north-
east, announced that any time and at
any place the American troops move
other than toward the border he will
comply to the letter with his superior
orders and will attack them as Gen.
Felix Gomez did at Carrizal.

General Trevino said that all diplo-
matic arrangements are outside of
his sphere.

Spillsbury's story, as announced by
General Trevino, was to the effect
that 76 negroes, comprising Troop
H of the Tenth Cavalry, Capt. Boyd
and Moore, Lieutenant Adair and himself
composed the American detachment
that encountered the Mexicans.

He said that he saw on the field
the bodies of Boyd and Adair and at
least 11 of the negroes.

Columbus, N. M., June 23.—A
courier from the battlefield reached
General Pershing's field headquarters
at Colonia Dublan, late today.

It is stated that the troop of the
Tenth Cavalry, which clashed with
Carranzistas at Carrizal, held the
field for five hours before retreating,
although they were outnumbered five
to one.

The reports said that the Ameri-
cans only withdrew when heavy
Mexican reinforcements were brought
up.

The Mexicans claim that while 14
of their number were killed and 30
wounded, the Americans suffered an
even dozen killed and lost 17 as pris-
oners. In addition, they say, the
Americans had an unknown number
of wounded which they carried off wit
them. They point out also that while
the Carranza commander, Gen. Felix

Gomez, lost his life, the American
leader also was killed.

A new version of the engagement
was brought here by a Mexican civi-
lian, who was in Villa Ahumada early
yesterday afternoon, and who said he
assisted in dressing some of the Mexi-
can wounded. He said that General
Felix Gomez, the slain Carranza lead-
er had been aware of the approach of
the Americans for 12 hours and had
sent a number of couriers to them
warning them to return to their en-
campment.

When they persisted in their ad-
vance, he said, a pitfall several hun-
dred feet in length was dug directly
in the trail over which the cavalry-
men must ride. This was cleverly
concealed with brush.

As the Americans rode unsuspect-
ingly through the sand dunes toward
the entrenchment, General Gomez lay
concealed some hundred yards away
in the Mesquite. The horses of the
American vanguard plunged into the
pitfall, unseating their riders and in-
juring a number of them.

Then, the Mexican asserted, the
Carranza forces laying in ambush
raked the American ranks with a ma-
chine gun. The heavy fire forced the
Americans to withdraw to reorganize
their line and the Mexicans captured
17 soldiers, who had been thrown into
the pit.

He asserted that it was then that
General Gomez went forward under a
flag of truce, and that before the pro-
posed parley had begun an irrespon-
sible soldier again started the ma-
chine gun fire.

THE MEXICAN CRISIS

Told That in Event of Trouble Eng-
land Would Befriend United
States

New York, June 23.—The New York
World says:

"That Great Britain has known for
quite a time that a crisis was at hand
between the United States and Mexi-
co was intimated last night by an
Englishman, who has been in close
touch with his embassy in Washington
and with Great Britain's leading rep-
resentatives in Mexico. This is what
has recently happened, according to
this British informant:

"Only a few days ago a leading
diplomat representing England, went
to Gen. Carranza and told him that
he had best go slow in the matter of
aggravating the United States. The
diplomat said:

"You will not only have them,
but us (meaning England) on your
neck. Then your only friend will be
Germany."

"Carranza told this diplomat, ac-
cording to the Englishman, that he
personally saw the reasonableness of
this argument, and that he was
against any movement that might
offend the American government.

"But," he continued, "some of his
generals and governors—notably, Gen.
Jacinto Trevino, who is commander
in chief of the troops in Chihuahua,
and governor of that state—were en-
tirely out of hand—that they were
doing as they pleased and could not
be stopped.

"According to the information, the
British diplomat in Mexico forward-
ed news of his Carranza interview to
the Ambassador in Washington. In
some manner it got to the American
officials. They were on the look out
for Trevino, but he beat them to it
with the ambushade which resulted in
the killing of the cavalrymen."

HARVARD DEFEATS YALE

New London, June 23.—Harvard
won the freshman two mile race, the
opening event of the annual Yale
Harvard regatta on the Thames to-
day under ideal weather and water
conditions.

Harvard's time for the two miles
was 10:36 3-5; Yale's was 10:39.

The Crimson freshmen were a full
length ahead of the Elis as they
crossed the line.

W. Meade Addison, cashier of the
First National Bank, of Richmond,
practically is unopposed for the office
of vice-president of the Virginia
Bankers' association, now in ses-
sion at Old Point, to succeed E. B.
Spencer, of Roanoke. V. Vaiden, of
Farmville, probably also will be nom-
inated for the vice presidency.

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STATE REGIMENT TALKS OF STRIKE

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Slighted, They Demand
Service.

APPEAL OF SENATORS

Recruiting is Still Active in the Old
Dominion, Where Men For Every
Branch Are Enlisting.

Washington, June 23.—Members of
the Fourth Virginia Regiment of In-
fantry are on the warpath and threat-
en to strike because they were not in-
cluded in the President's call for the
mobilization of the National Guards-
men. The First and Second Regiments
of Virginia were called out, but the
Fourth was not, and the boys of the
Fourth are so sore that they declare
they will quit the military service.

Senators Martin and Swanson and
the Virginia Congressmen have been
appealed to by officers and men of
the regiment, and they called on Sec-
retary of War Baker, told him of the
anger of the Fourth Regiment and
asked that a supplemental order be
issued calling them out. Secretary
Baker told the Virginians that the
hope now for the Fourth Regi-
ment is in the possibility that more
troops will be asked for but at pre-
sent there is no chance of them re-
ceiving the call. The bulk of the
military companies constituting the
Fourth Regiment were recruited
around Norfolk.

Richmond, June 23.—Company B,
of the Richmond Battalion, First Vir-
ginia Infantry, was ordered to the
State Fair grounds yesterday to be
mustered into Federal service. Other
companies are nearing war strength
and will follow rapidly. Governor
Stuart telegraphed today from Wyom-
ing that he was on his way home to
take active charge of raising troops
in Virginia.

Regular army recruiting has re-
ceived a decided impetus along with
that of the State militia as a result
of the threatened trouble in Mexico.
Recruiting officers of the navy and
the Marine Corps report no great in-
crease in applications, and assign the
reason the interest is now centered
on the inland branches of the service
which offer the prospect of more im-
mediate excitement.

At the local United States Army
recruiting station it was learned
that applications in the past four days
had been approximately equal to those
of thirty days before war talk be-
came so ominous. No less than twenty
five applicants had to be turned down
however, on the ground that they
were under twenty-one and could not
get their parents' consent. Since
June 15 eleven men have been accept-
ed for the army on their first enlist-
ment. The recruiting station gave
out the statement that now, if ever,
would be the ideal time for enlist-
ment in the army, since the newly au-
thorized increase to go into effect
July 1 will necessitate the promotion
of many men from the ranks.

The navy recruiting station report-
ed only about the usual activity. A
number of applications have been
made this week.

No recruits have been accepted yet
at the office of the Marine Corps, al-
though several applications have been
made. It is thought at the station
that recruiting will pick up consid-
erably at the beginning of next week.
In case of serious trouble between
the United States and Mexico, men
accepted by the Marine Corps would
probably have a chance to see active
service within a month.

Holding that games affording
amusement and recreation are inci-
dental to, and therefore necessary,
in the conduct of a summer resort,
Norfolk county Justice C. W. Rock-
afeller and R. S. Moring, dismissed
Wednesday night the 21 warrants
issued at Ocean View last Sunday
against owner of 10 or more conces-
sions charged with the violation of
Virginia's "Sunday" law. No appeal
was entered by the State's represen-
tative.

PRESSURE ON GREECE

Accepts Without Reserve Joint Note
of Allies

Athens, June 23.—Under heavy
pressure from the entente powers,
Greece has accepted without reserve
the demands presented in a joint note
by Great Britain, France and Russia.

At the most critical moment Greece
was without a government. Premier
Skouloudis late today announced to
the chamber of deputies the resigna-
tion of himself and his associates in
the cabinet and the failure for the
present to obtain successors to them.

M. Skouloudis refused to receive
the communications from the entente
powers on the ground that no Greek
cabinet existed, as the note was de-
posited at the foreign office while he
was on his way back from the resi-
dence of the king, where he presented
the resignation of the ministry. On
this account, he explained, he could
not discuss the demands.

Paris, June 23.—An allied fleet has
been ordered to cruise before Piraeus,
the port of Athens, according to a
Havas dispatch from Saloniki. It is
said the fleet eventually will be sup-
ported by a landing party.

The dispatches says the action of
the landing party will "depend upon
events."

Dispatches from Athens and Salo-
nik indicate that the situation as
between Greece and the entente al-
lies has reached a crisis. Unless
Greece proves her intention of comply-
ing in a satisfactory manner with the
allies joint demands, the naval de-
monstration before Piraeus will be
made.

EXPLAINS AIMS OF U. S.

Lansing Sends Memorandum to Lat-
in-American Diplomats on
Mexican Situation

Washington, June 23.—Secretary
Lansing yesterday sent a memoran-
dum to the diplomatic representa-
tives of South and Central American
nations reviewing the situation that
exists between the United States and
Mexico and announcing that if hostil-
ities should eventuate, the purpose of
the United States would be to defend
itself against further invasion, and
not intervene in Mexican affairs.

The memorandum, dated June 21,
is as follows:

"I inclose for your information a
copy of this Government's note of
June 20 to the Secretary of Foreign
Relations of the de facto Govern-
ment of Mexico on the subject of the
presence of American troops in Mexi-
can territory. This communication
states clearly the critical relations
existing between this Government and
the de facto Government of Mexico
and the causes which have led up to
the present situation.

"Should this situation eventuate
into hostilities, which this Govern-
ment would deeply regret and will
use every honorable effort to avoid,
I take this opportunity to inform
you that this Government would have
for its object, not intervention in
Mexican affairs, with all the regret-
table consequences which might re-
sult from such a policy, but the de-
fense of American territory from
further invasion by bands of armed
Mexicans, protection of American
citizens and property along the bound-
ary from outrages committed by such
bands, and the prevention of future
degradations by force of arms against
the marauders infesting this region
and against a government which is
encouraging and aiding them in their
activities.

"Hostilities, in short, would be sim-
ply a state of international war with-
out purpose on the part of the United
States other than to end the con-
ditions which menace our national
peace and the safety of our citizens."

While serving a warrant in the
performance of his duty, Patrolman
J. Harvey Leverett, aged 22, of
Roanoke, was shot twice and instant-
ly killed by a negro, Clifton Mickens,
at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.
Leverett was not accompanied by any
other officer, and the only eye witness
to the shooting was the brother of
the man who shot the policeman. Im-
mediately after the shooting Clifton
Mickens escaped. Herman Mickens,
the brother, who was holding a lamp
for the officer when the shooting oc-
curred, at once went to police head-
quarters and notified the department
of the murder. Mickens was later
arrested while endeavoring to escape
on a train.

DEVILED & HARD SHELL CRABS
AT JACOB PRILL'S FOOT KING ST.

PUSH FARTHER INTO BUKOWINA

Petrograd Reports Capture
of Town South of
Czernowitz.

HUNDREDS DROWNED

Berlin Claims All Russian Attacks
Were Repulsed and Records Some
Advantages to Teutons.

London, June 23.—The official an-
nouncement by the Russian war office
of the capture of Radautz, a city of
13,000 inhabitants, situated 30 miles
south of Czernowitz, and 10 miles
from the Rumanian frontier, shows
how actively Gen. Letchinsky is pur-
suing the broken Austrian forces.
According to a special dispatch from
Petrograd, nothing but a miracle can
avert the destruction of Gen. Pfan-
zer's army, as Gen. Letchinsky now
holds a stretch of 20 miles on the
Sereth River.

According to report from Rome,
an Austrian army under Gen. Baltin
is shut up in the angle of the fron-
tier near the town of Sereth, com-
pletely surrounded by Russians. The
Austrian official communication re-
ceived here tonight claims that the
Austrians have repulsed Russian at-
tacks near Gura Humor.

This town is in the extreme south
of Bukovina on the Moldava River,
54 miles south of Czernowitz. Thus,
unless some other town of the same
name is meant, the Russian pursuit
seemingly has extended much farther
than the Russian claim.

The Austrian official statement al-
so claims the failure of all attacks
by the Russians in Volhynia. The
Austro-German forces, according to
the statement, have made progress
north of Gorochow, near Sokul and
in the vicinity of Kolki.

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ed in the Stripa after the recent Rus-
sian success on the eastern bank
north of Bucacz, according to Reu-
ter's Petrograd correspondent. Troops
holding some of the trenches envelop-
ed by the Russians from the north and
the south and cut off from the bridge
crossed the river, panic stricken.
A few managed to swim across,
but the majority perished.

WOMAN SHOTS INTO MOB

Wife of Striking Minnesota Miner
Held as Slayer of Rioter

Virginia, Minn., June 23.—Armed
with a repeating rifle Mrs. Rose-
andich, wife of a striking miner, stood
on her porch early yesterday and
fired at random into a crowd of mine
guards who were engaged in a pitched
battle with strikers. More than 50
shots were exchanged.

John Alar, striker, was killed.
Three shots passed through his body.
David Foley, chief of the Oliver Mine
police, charged that Mrs. Roseandich
fired the shot that killed him. She
was arrested.

The strikers said they were on
their way to the Alpona mine to
picket the property when the guards
charged them with clubs. The miners
returned their attacks with bricks
and stones and it was then that the
special police used their guns. Mrs.
Roseandich is said to have been the
only one of the strikers' party who
was armed.

A. L. Mackenzie, a mine guard,
and other officers were wounded, as
were Venecele Elias, storekeeper, and
another man, both bystanders.

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"THE PAPER BOX KID"

Shoots Two Keepers in Attempt to
Escape Electric Chair at Sing Sing

Ossining, N. Y., June 23.—Oresta
Shillitani, "the Paper Box Kid," await-
ing electrocution June 30 for the mur-
der of two policemen and a citizen,
escaped from Sing Sing's death house
early yesterday by shooting two
keepers and firing upon two others.
He was recaptured after an exciting
hour.

At the moment Shillitani began his
attempt to gain his freedom, a high-
powered automobile was outside the
prison walls to whisk him away. But
a warning given by one of the wound-
ed keepers caused a steel door to be
closed, cutting off the prisoner's
chance of getting away by the main
entrance.

Without wasting a moment, he
started the other way, burst down the
door of the execution chamber, falling
almost against the electric chair, ran
out through the mortuary in which
the bodies of the executed are laid
out, and by touching a push button
opened a door into the yard on the
side toward the river.

Running to the twelve-foot wall,
Shillitani disrobed, threw his clothes
over the wall, which he scaled, and
dropped into the river, evidently hop-
ing to swim around and reach the
waiting auto. He made the swim-
mer naked to where the machine had
been, but the driver had been fright-
ened away.

The murderer then went to the
hospital, feigned insanity and might
have found clothes and an opportunity
to make his escape had not the prison
whistle sounded.

Ten shots were fired by the pris-
oner. Keeper McCarthy was badly
wounded and reported dying. Keeper
Bullard, after being wounded, and
Keeper Nichols, at the point of the
convict's revolver, were backed into
a cell with two condemned murder-
ers and locked in after Shillitani had
taken the shots from McCarthy.

It was McCarthy's warning that
prevented the murderer's final escape.
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the statement, have made progress
north of Gorochow, near Sokul and
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but the majority perished.

"I'm shot and dying. Don't open
the door; he's got a gun."

Five bullets rattled about Capt.
Vaughan's head before he could get
the steel door closed forcing the pris-
oner to find another way out.

When the fugitive, nude reached
the hospital, he demanded a room from
the phone girl.

The hospital people telephoned the
prison after they heard the prison
whistle. Two keepers than brought
Shillitani back to the prison. He was
raving and now in padded cell.

Shillitani received a visit Wednes-
day from his brother and sister-in-
law. His brother was searched, but
his sister-in-law was not. It is not
known how the condemned man secur-
ed the revolver, but some one must
have brought it to him.

His visitors talked to him through
the screening front of the condemn-
ed cells, but there is an opening about
two inches from the bottom to the
floor. It is believed the revolver was
kicked within reach of the condemn-
ed man under that opening.

Shillitani killed two policemen and
a citizen in New York city and was
awaiting electrocution.

Officials in Washington refuse to
be disturbed by widely circulated re-
ports that Japanese in Mexico are
hostile to the United States. Figures
compiled at the Japanese embassy
show that there are less than 2,000
Japanese in Mexico. About 1,000
of them are employed in Chihuahua
and Coahuila copper and silver min-
es; some 250 farmers and fishermen
live on the west coast; there is a col-
ony of about 150 in Chiapas state,
and about 100 are in Vera Cruz.
Three or four hundred Koreans, Jap-
anese subjects, are employed on Yu-
catan sisal plantations. Embassy of-
ficials said they had no information
of the rescue of Japanese warships
off the Mexican coast, as indicated in
news dispatches. Their presence or-
dinarily would be reported to the
embassy, it was said.

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BOMBARDMENT AT THE MEUSE

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Attacks Against Hill
304.

TRENCHES RETAKEN

Teutons Claim They Have Repulsed
Assaults of Allies—French Aero-
plane Brought Down.

London, June 23.—On both sides
of the River Meuse, in the region of
Verdun, and to the east of the fort-
ress in the Woivre, at the foot of the
Meuse hills, the Germans are heavily
bombarding the French. Especially
heavy are the attacks against Hill
304 and Dead Man Hill, northwest of
the fortress around Thiaumont, the
Vaux wood, Chapitte and Fort Lau-
fee. In a counter attack the French
have retaken from the Germans most
of the trenches the Germans cap-
tured Wednesday night, between the
Fumin wood and Chenois, northeast
of Verdun.

The German near Givenchy captur-
ed British trenches, but later were
driven out, suffering heavy losses in
the counter attack.

Berlin, June 23.—Today's official
report says:

"On the western front a weak at-
tack by a British detachment near
Frelingheim, northeast of Armen-
tieres, was repulsed. West of La Bas-
see a German patrol detachment
brought in some British prisoners.

"On the east bank of the Meuse
(Verdun front) infantry fighting de-
veloped. We gained some advantag-
es west of Fort Vaux.

"Both south of Poivre ridge and
near Buss a French aeroplane was
brought down by our anti-aircraft
guns. The occupants of the second
machine were made prisoner.

"Our aerial squadrons early yes-
terday morning attacked villages oc-
cupied by troops in the Meuse valley
south of Verdun, and early this
morning attacked railway establish-
ments and troop encampments at
Favigny."

UPRISING IN ARABIA

Rebels Capture Holy City of Mecca
Jiddah and Taif

London, June 23.—Reports have
been received here that a serious up-
rising against the Turks is in pro-
gress in Arabia and that the rebels
have captured the holy city of Mecca.

The London newspapers declare that
the rebellion is certain to have an
important bearing on the war, espe-
cially as regards the participation of
Turkey. The Post says:

"The uprising is due to recent
wholesale executions of Mohammedan
and Syrian notables and well-known
religious leaders, and also to the
spread in Arabia of a feeling that
the Turks have abdicated their position
as the protector of the Moham-
medans and have become the vassals
of Germany."

The Graphic says: "The revolt is
a smashing blow at Turkey and the
capture of Mecca is an event which
will shake Turkish prestige to its
foundations."

A Reuter dispatch from Cairo says
the rebels, in addition to taking Mecca
have captured Jiddah, the chief sea-
port of Arabia, and Taif, 65 miles
southeast of Mecca, and have pro-
claimed independence of the Arabs
from Ottoman rule.

According to this dispatch the
grand shah of Mecca, the chief mag-
istrate of the holy city, proclaimed his
independence and was supported by
the Arab tribes of the west and cen-
tral parts of the country.

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